

40. The program according to claim 39, wherein the print job comprises a distributed job.

41. The program according to claim 40 further
5 comprising a computer readable program code of an
acknowledging step for acknowledging a paper ejection
type of the other printing apparatus,
wherein, in said decision step, the other printing
apparatus is decided on the basis of an acknowledgement
10 by said acknowledging step for the paper ejection type
of the other printing apparatus.

42. The program according to claim 40 further
comprising a computer readable program code of a
15 reassignment step for assigning at least a part of the
distributed job to another printing apparatus,

wherein, in said reassignment step, at least the
part of the distributed job is assigned to the other
printing apparatus decided in said decision step.

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43. The program according to claim 41, wherein, in said
acknowledging step, the paper ejection type of the other
printing apparatus is acknowledged on the basis of
information indicative of a paper ejection type obtained
25 via a predetermined communication line.

44. The program according to claim 41, wherein, in said
acknowledging step, information indicative of the paper
ejection type of the other printing apparatus is
obtained from a printer driver which generates print
5 data interpretable by a printing apparatus.

45. The program according to claim 40, wherein the
paper ejection type represents a direction of surface of
ejected paper, and the direction is face-up or face-
10 down.

46. The program according to claim 40, wherein the
paper ejection type is an output order of pages, and the
output order is ascending or descending.
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47. The program according to claim 40, wherein, in said
decision step, it is decided to assign at least a part
of the distributed job to a predetermined printing
apparatus in a case of assigning at least the part of
20 the distributed job supposed to be printed by the
printing apparatus in accordance with the status
recognized in said recognition step.

48. The program according to claim 47, wherein the
25 predetermined printing apparatus is a printing apparatus
to which no distributed job has been assigned.

49. The program according to claim 47 further comprising a computer readable program code of a designation step for designating to printout at least the part of the distributed job to a predetermined bin
5 of the predetermined printing apparatus decided in said decision step.

50. The program according to claim 40 further comprising a computer readable program code of a
10 determination step for, in a case of assigning at least the part of the distributed job supposed to be printed by the printing apparatus to another printing apparatus in accordance with the status recognized in said recognition step, determining whether the other printing
15 apparatus which prints pages preceding to the distributed job assigned to the printing apparatus produces a face-down output,

wherein if an affirmative decision is rendered in said determination step, then in said decision step, at
20 least the part of the distributed job supposed to be printed by the printing apparatus is assigned to the other printing apparatus that prints the preceding pages.

25 51. The program according to claim 50, wherein if the distributed job includes the first page of the print job prior to its division, then determination on a printing